Application Serial No. 10/801,339 Response to Office Action

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STORING DEVICE AND IMAGE FORMING

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Examiner : JUNG W. KIM

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed July 26, 2007 the term for response to which is extended by three-months by petition filed concurrently herewith to expire on January 26, 2008.

Amendments to the Specification are set forth beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper. Claims 1-6 are canceled; claims 7-8, 12-15 and 19-20 are amended; and claims 9-11 and 16-18 are maintained.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

This paper is being submitted via EFS-Web on <u>January 25, 2008</u>

In the event that this Paper is late filed, and the necessary petition for extension of time is not filed concurrently herewith, please consider this as a Petition for the requisite extension of time, and to the extent not already paid, authorization to charge the extension fee to Account No. 06-1378. In addition, authorization is hereby given to charge any fees for which payment has not been submitted, or to credit any overpayments, to Account No. 06-1378.